# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3524

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TO: The Honorable Leon Howard, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Grocery Stores to Notify Customers of Food Recalls by Phone or Mail

#### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

#### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

# **BILL SUMMARY:**

House Bill 3524 amends Title 39 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, dealing generally with trade and commerce. The Bill requires grocery stores to use their customer database to contact customers by phone or mail to notify them of any food recall, provided they purchased the food within 30 days of the recall and that they are notified within 10 days after the store receives notice of the recall.

## **EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

The Department of Health and Environmental Control, the Department of Consumer Affairs and the Department of Agriculture state that there would be no impact on the General Fund of the State or Federal and/or Other Funds as a result of enactment of this Bill.

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

## **SPECIAL NOTES:**

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None.

Approved by:

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